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The Honorable Dan Kildee
U.S. House of Representatives
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Washington, DC 20515

Dear Congressman Kildee:

As part of our ongoing dialogue related to the City of Flint's water, I want to make sure you are aware of the actions taken by the State of Michigan to ensure that the residents of Flint have access to safe, clean drinking water. These actions include:

1. Immediately testing Flint's public school district to ensure that drinking water is safe. Testing also will be available at no cost to any other school in Flint.
2. Expanding health exposure testing of individual residences.
3. Offering water testing at no cost to Flint residents to assure the water is safe.
4. Begin optimizing corrosion controls in the Flint drinking water system.
5. Convening a "Safe Drinking Water Technical Advisory Committee" to ensure the best technology, practices, and science are being utilized. This Committee will include an expert from the EPA's Office of Research and Development.
6. Accelerating water system improvements to address replacement of lead service lines.
7. Expediting completion of Karegnondi Water Authority.
8. Appointing Dr. Eden Wells as the Flint Drinking Water Public Health Advisor.
9. Providing water filters to residents of Flint.
10. Expanding a comprehensive lead education initiative.

While these actions will mitigate the risk of lead exposure in the immediate and long term, there are a number of federal regulatory hurdles that impede our ability to further reduce risk. As the federal representative for the City of Flint, I would appreciate your assistance on the following federal items:

1. Make federal Drinking Water Revolving Loan funds available for the replacement of private service lines.
2. Ease and/or eliminate restrictions on the purchase of bottled water for SNAP and WIC recipients. This should include a temporary, targeted increase in SNAP benefits so that the purchase of bottled water does not count against a recipients' current SNAP allocation.
3. Request that the EPA expedite promulgation of the long term revisions to the Lead and Copper Rule.

As the situation continues to evolve, I would also appreciate your assistance in the event that additional federal action is needed.

Thank you for your continued advocacy related to the City of Flint's water. I have appreciated the ongoing dialogue and am heartened to have a partner in ensuring that the residents of Flint have access to safe, clean drinking water. I look forward to continuing to work with you on this and many other issues of importance to Michiganders.

Sincerely,

Rick Snyder
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